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Guest Editorial

Says Government Must Meet Anarchy Head-on

(Editor's Note - The Courier today continues guest editorials by a group of officials in the governmental and welfare fields.)

By WILLIAM W. McKINLEY Mayor of Cedar Falls

A DISORDERLY society cannot survive. History shows that a society

which becomes lawless soon succumbs. The first evidence of a society's decay appears in the toleration of the disobedience of its laws and the judgment of its courts.

> These are ancient and universal lessons. Yet, in

'McKinley recent years, all of us have daily seen and heard an ever increasing number of accounts that show with unmistakable clarity the rapid spread of planned courses of lawlessness in our country that threaten seriously to get out of hand and actually destroy law and

This pattern of forcing demands by mass or mob action outside the law and the courts makes a mockery of the democratic debating process.

MANY CENTURIES of human misery show that once a society departs from the rule of law and every man becomes the judge of which laws he will obey, only the strongest remain free.

No man or any group of men can be permitted in a government of laws to take the law, or what they think ought to be the law, into their own hands, for that is anarchy which always results in

.America needs a genuine revival of respect for law and orderly processes, an awakening of individual responsibility, a new impatience with those who violate and circumvent our laws, and a determined insistence that laws be enforced, courts respected and due process followed.

Redress of wrongs must be sought through the Courts rather than the streets if we are to survive as a civilized

OUR GOVERNMENTS, federal, facts. state, and local, must discharge their duty of impartial, but vigorous, enforcement of all laws and provide for the swift, certain and substantial punishment of all persons whose conduct violates the

This must be done immediately before planned and organized mass disobedience of law spreads beyond the ca-

pacity of our peace keeping machinery to control and suppress.

The very survival of our civilized society depends on government at all levels taking prompt action to meet headon the very real and ever growing threat

Our henpecked neighbor is a man of

Strictly Personal

Refutes Wars Are All in Nature's Plan

By SYDNEY J. HARRIS

THOUGHTS AT LARGE: Some people imagine that wars are "natures' way" of reduc-

ing populations to tolerable levels at regular intervals, but this is a myth; in the 500 years preceding 1941, Great Britain was involved in 80 wars, none of which had any serious influence on the population curve.

Speaking of population, how much longer do we think that six per cent of the world's pop-

ulation can continue to control 50 per cent of its wealth, even if we are legally and politically entitled to it? Lack 'Sweet Toolh'

It is my theory that alcoholics, and even heavy drinkers, are deficient in "sweet tooth" -that their metabolic system is out of kilter, and craves alcohol as a substitute for sugar: it is significant that heavy drinkers do not care

for sweets or any desserts at all.

Those who worship pure physical power should recall that Stalin sneered at the Pope for having no military divisions, but as Prof. Kenneth Boulding has observed, "Stalin's divisions did not save his good name for posterity or his monstrous statues from destruction, while St. Peter's still stands."

Why are some kinds of foods called "roughage," while their opposites aren't called

Prejudiced Thinking

What racially or religiously prejudiced people don't realize is that you can always find objective facts to justify your dislike of any group: Bigots think the facts shape their feelings, whereas in truth their feelings have impelled them to seek out a particular set of

Whether you are for "free press" or "fair trial" depends mostly on whether you want to hear about a case or are involved in it.

And, on the subject of trials, it seems clear to me that as long as psychiatric testimony is for sale to one side or the other, it should not be given the privileged status of "professional opinion," but regarded wholly as a forensic device no more objective than the testimony of a "character witness."

Thinks LBJ Hints He Will Be 1968 Candidate

By VICTOR RIESEL

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. -Although Lyndon Johnson told 1,000 uproarious ladies garment workers' delegates that he is the only man who used a speech instead of a scissors to cut off his own coattails, he did some mighty effective political mend-

He returned to the cavernous seaside convention hall where he was nominated in '64, acting mighty like a candidate again.

Hit Bobby

He took a 15-minute bannerwaving, snaking, parading, whooping demonstration like a candidate. And after he finished his political speech, which lacerated Bob Kennedy and Gene McCarthy with allusions to professional cynics, intellectual critics, and "catastrophe - mongers," he stepped to the stage edge and shook hands with the eager, pressing crowd, much like a

Never once did he mention the Junior Senator from New York, or the Senior Senator from Minnesota. But there is no doubt that this was the first stop in the long trail he'll hit to stop Bob Kennedy.

More Than Support

As he stood there at the podium with International Ladies Garment Workers Union President Louis Stulberg, it was apparent to sophisticated observers that the President first would throw everything he has - openly and behind the scenes — to strengthen Hubert Humphrey. And then . . . ?

To some of the leaders of this union, the President," despite the repeated references in his speech to an easy life of retirement as an "honorary president," seemed to be

for Hubert Horatio Humphrey.

At his point, it's vital to know something of this historic union. The ILGWU invented effective

modern political labor action. It's this union which, through the Liberal Party, has long held the balance of power in gargantuan New York City and the big, crucial state itself.

It's this union, through its small party, which so frightened the late Jack Kennedy in '60 when he thought it would not accept Lyndon Johnson as his running mate, that he told an intimate: My heavens, it won't put me on the ballot in New York. So he cleared the Johnson matter with the union's president, now its honorary president, David Dubinsky.

Cheered 87 Times

It's this union, regardless of what the now-tiny Liberal Party does, which will swing the balance of power in the state, because the "ILG" is the state's largest labor organization with a membership of some 200,000 New Yorkers.

And so we see Lyndon Johnson standing before delegations of Mexican -American and Midwest grass roots American seamstresses, Italian dressmakers, Jewish cloakmakers, Negro stitchers, Puerto Rican packers and embroiderers — the cross - section of this nation — and hearing them cheer him 87 times in 45 minutes while he ripped Bob Kennedy.

"These accomplishments," he said, referring to his own legislative record, "may not have been done with charisma or style, but we got them

Not Aristocracy The delegates, virtually all

delivering something far more as sophisticated as their significant than subtle support leaders, responded with tablerocking applause. After all, they are not of the aristocracy. They

his hand" last March 31.

Wirtz and Arthur Goldberg?

of Paris were burning, Saigon was under fire, and the nation restless?

lobbyist, Evelyn Dubrow.

But this was not just a quid

If ever he would tell any

True, President Johnson came to this union out of sentiment; true, out of loyalty; true, out of political instinct; true — but also to make certain that he has a full supply of political pins and needles if he decides

This convention may be more

are the people. Their leaders asked themselves why Mr. Johnson had chosen their 33rd convention to make the only labor appearance since he "threw in

There are at least 25 other union conventions in the coming weeks at which he is welcome. Why did he come to a convention which was scheduled to hear Hubert Humphrey, Willard

Why did he come while parts

True, he came out of loyalty to old friends - Stulberg, Dubinsky and the union's petite

Banner of Loyalty

pro quo for friendship. It was a showing of the banner of loyalty. It was his sign to the people that he had served them and now he wanted them to be loyal to him and Hubert Humphrey whose machine is creaking and disjointed.

group of people that he has not just given up the political theatre, but is there in the wings ready to act again, it is this crowd in which he would confide.

to mend those coattails.

historic than most political observers now believe.

Calls Poor

'Lobbyists'

By ROBERT S. ALLEN

WASHINGTON, D. C. - The so-called "poor people" marchers are being challenged on a new score — that could lead to legal proceedings against them.

Representative Edward J. Gurney, R-Fla., citing the marchers' loudly fanfared lobbying operations and tactics, demanded they be required to register under the Lobbying

Violate Law

Gurney, a member of the Education and Labor Committee that has jurisdiction over anti-poverty legislation and that is conducting hearings on proposals to deal with malnutrition, charged the marchers are admittedly violating the lobbyist registration law. As the law makes no exceptions, he contended there is no reason it should not be enforced against them.

Reinforcing Gurney's stand, an influential senator warned that the government will encounter serious difficulty in requiring the marchers to vacate



The poor people are coming! . . . The poor people are coming!

their makeshift "Resurrection City" on June 16, the expiration of the Interior Department's permit.

'Deny Renewal'

Senator Robert Byrd, D-W. Va., chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee in charge of the District of Columbia's half-billion dollarplus budget, stated he had voiced such misgivings directly to President Johnson, Attorney General Ramsey Clark and Interior Secretary Udall, Byrd strongly advised against either renewal of the permit or the authorization to use additional space.

Apply to All

Representative Gurney contended that Reverend Ralph Abernathy, leader of the "poor people" marchers, is indisputably a lobbyist and should be required to register as one.

"This nation's foundation and its future rest on the rule of the law," said Gurney, "and if the law is to mean anything, it must apply equally to all. therefore ask when will Reverend Abernathy be required to register as a lobbyist? Certainly there can be no question that he is engaged in lobbying, and so are the so-called marchers.

"If Abernathy is required to file reports, then the American people can determine his sources of income and the amount of his expenditures, just as the public can determine this information in regard to other lobbying groups. It is time we know whether this law is going to be enforced or disregarded for the benefit of a special group.'

On the Right

Says Libel Winners Often 'Lose'

A FEW MONTHS after Senator Goldwater lost the presidential election, I received a message, delivered by hand, from Ralph Ginzburg, the pornographer, advising me to use such influence as I have Senator Goldwater to restrain him from pursuing a libel suit he had instituted against Ginzburg and his journal, FACT Magazine. You know Goldwater, Ginzburg said to me in effect, and you should tell him that if he proceeds with this lawsuit, I shall be forced to reveal such information about him as I have

heretofore - such being the

By WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, Jr. reticence of Mr. Ginzburg withheld from the public.

'Stop Decent Men'

it unprofitable for Senator comment." And in due course damages, in the sum of seventy-Goldwater to launch the suit, and told him so. But Senator Goldwater was aroused. And he is the kind of man who gets aroused not merely because of self-concern. He was aroused because, as he put it, "if you can say that kind of thing about a man who is running for public office, then decent men are going to stop running for public

Defendants Retreated

The trial lasted for three weeks. The defense, which

they retreated from that, on over to a defense against the charges of actual malice. But skillful questioning by Mr. Robb for Senator Goldwater, plus the senator's own wholesome performance on the stand, were apparently enough to persuade the jury that Ginzburg had every reason to believe that the charges he was publishing against Goldwater were not only false but preposterous, but

that he published them anyway. Mr. Goldwater had not asked for, nor did the jury award

the charges against Goldwater is not likely that the article readers' lubricous appelites. were true, quickly retreated to cost Mr. Goldwater the election. I must confess that I thought what the lawyers call "fair But the jury did award punitive thousand against the defunct magazine FACT, twenty-five thousand against Ginzburg; much more than that will have been spent by Senator Goldwater on lawyer's fees. Lawsuits come high, but

Goldwater's contribution — his own time, his money, and self exposure to ignominious questioning — is in the tradition of public service to which the senator has been addicted over all those years when his detractor Ginzburg was making

sought at first to insist that him, compensatory damages: It his living by pandering to his

Pay Winner's Costs A lot has been done in recent

years to define libel law as it concerns public figures, and the renowned New York Times vs. Sullivan, estopping public figures from suing unless they can prove actual malice, is in the right direction. But surely the reform most overdue would require the loser of libel suits to pay the cost of the winner. The American Ginzburgs of the future should be required, as they are in England, to pay the cost of litigation. Otherwise judgments as moral vindications are only available to

The Public Speaks

Praises Teens; Believes They Merit More Credit

Editor: I am writing to give praise to these young teenagers. It hurts me to read all the time about teenagers getting of life. It comes in meekness picked-up for all kinds of crime, especially drinking beer.

Maybe they do all of these things, but why can't their names be kept out of the paper sometimes? It hurts the kids more when everyone knows it. Why don't you put in something good about them?

I know the teenagers did a lot to help Oelwein and Charles City after the tornados. I read a little about them, but not enough.

I think we older people should stop and think; there is a lot of good in them and I don't see them getting very much credit for it.

So let's give these teenagers some good stories. A few kids do wrong and all of them get a bad name. Why can't we look into the hearts of these teens like God does, and forget the outer look sometimes?

MRS. MARGARET

Says Truth Found in Simple Life

CEDAR FALLS - To the Editor: Our world is troubled

INDEPENDENCE - To the today. People are perplexed. "Where shall we go to find the truth?" is asked. But truth comes to us in the simple things and humility. If we do not watch it will get away from

> It is not with the high uplifted things of earth we find it, but in the common things of life, those things close to the hearts of people, in those things that mean so much to them. Can we read and understand the meaning at the depths of the human soul?

Those mixed up rebellious young people of our world today really have something you need to understand. Can you help them find the truth they are looking for? Can you bring a meaning and do you have an answer for the yearnings fo their heart?

It is people that count. When you have Christ within governing your acts then you have found the truth. With this mind of Christ within you put yourself upon the same plane with other people and help them find the God within themselves and see the God

within you. FRANK O. HOFFMAN 420 E. 11th St.

Attacks Iowa Demos for Failure to Back Humphrey

CEDAR FALLS - To the President Hubert H. Humphrey Editor: In my opinion the distribution of money by the Kennedy family to further the candidacy of Mr. Robert Kennedy for the Democratic nomination for president is a fine thing. Perhaps some small amount will sift down to the people or . their offspring who suffered through the sales of liquor that was the basis of the great fortune they control.

I am sure that many and probably most Iowa Democrats believe in the candidacy of Vice

and while welcoming a test of how many "squares" there are in Iowa and the nation who would vote for him they also deplore the lack of courage on the part of Iowa leadership for not courageously backing such an outstanding candidate from our neighbor state of Minnesota. What a natural for Democrats to exploit in case Mr. Nixon

is the Republican nominee -Nix on Nixon, HARRY C. ROBINETTE

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